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 Elements

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of April 5, 2006, made final, with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 5, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to Van Leeuwen & Van Leeuwen, Deposit Account No. 50-3754.